

STORM SEVERE IN NEW JERSEY.

Lightning Struck a House in Plainfield and Stunned a Child.

At Dunellen a House Was Demolished, but Occupant Escaped Unhurt.

FARM HAND FATALLY INJURED.

House in Passaic Hit and Partly Burned. Horse Killed, Driver Stunned and Trees Blown Down Near Bordentown.

Plainfield, N. J., May 28.—During a heavy thunder storm which passed over this city at 3 o'clock this afternoon, the lightning struck the house of Charles Wakefield, in Somerset place, and nearly wrecked it. The roof was shivered into splinters, and every bit of plastering in the house was knocked down. A neighbor, a young man named James, was standing in the doorway, and was knocked senseless by the bolt. He recovered after two hours, and was the only one in the house injured.

Shortly afterward another bolt struck the house of Col. Charles Dwyer, of the Central Railroad, who lives at Dunellen, three miles from here. This house was completely wrecked. It was torn from top to bottom, and the sides bulged out as though the house had been struck. Mrs. Dwyer was working at the kitchen stove at the time, and was thrown to the ground by the force of the wind. She was not hurt, but the house was completely wrecked. A piece of flying wood pierced Dwyer's cheek, causing a compound fracture of the right jaw, as well as tearing the muscles in the right side of his face. His tongue was badly injured, and he was removed to St. Francis Hospital in a critical condition. There is not much hope for his recovery.

Lightning Strikes at Passaic.
Rutherford, N. J., May 28.—During the heavy storm this afternoon lightning struck the chimney of a house on Mountain avenue, Passaic. The same bolt struck a horse that was attached to a carpenter's wagon standing in the street. The horse was killed, the wagon was wrecked and Edward Moreland, the driver, was stunned. The house struck by lightning took fire and was badly damaged before the flames were extinguished. A number of trees along the Delaware and Raritan canal, in the vicinity of Bordentown, were blown down by the high wind.

The Storm Severe in Newark.
Newark, N. J., May 28.—The thunder storm here this afternoon was a very severe one. It did not last long, but the lightning flashed with a terrifying vividness, and the clouds seemed to open and pour down a deluge. There was much apprehension among the more nervous of the population who had read of the St. Louis disaster.

The greatest damage was done in the lower section of the city. Along New Jersey Railroad avenue the water rose to a depth of two feet in some places. The Pennsylvania Railroad were entirely submerged. Hundreds of cellars were flooded in the manufacturing districts, and much damage was done to stock. In the "Iron Bound District" hundreds of cellars of private houses were flooded, and the water was so high that it was necessary to wade through it. The damage by the coming in of sewers and unpaired streets will be heavy.

FOUR RUNAWAYS IN ORANGE.
Wagon Topples Into a Brook and Three Children Are Hurt.

Orange, N. J., May 28.—There were four runaways here this afternoon. Shortly after noon a horse attached to a rig with out a driver, owned by Gibbons & Cosier, of East Orange, dashed up Main street. At the corner of William and Centre streets it started a team attached to Daniel Maloney's street sprinkling wagon. Maloney tried to stop the team, but the horses killed him and dashed on. The wagon, loaded with water, was toppled over into the brook. The horses were excited with the noise, and the team was driven over into the brook. The horses were excited with the noise, and the team was driven over into the brook.

Alleged Bicycle Thieves Held.
Newark, N. J., May 28.—Detective Murphy, of this city, this morning arrested John Heslop, of No. 387 Montgomery street, and John Keller, of No. 336 Second street, on charges of stealing a bicycle. The boys were taken to the Second Precinct Station House, where they admitted having stolen the bicycle. They were taken to the Second Precinct Station House, where they admitted having stolen the bicycle.

More Parks for Jersey City.
Jersey City, N. J., May 28.—There are two new public parks, the purchase of ground being under the laws of 1894. One is in the Hudson City section, comprising fifty lots on Ogden avenue, the Patterson plank road and Franklin street, and the other is in the Greenville section, consisting of four acres on Garfield avenue, overlooking New York Bay.

Emley's Ball Not Redacted.
Paterson, N. J., May 28.—Judge Dixon today refused to redact the ball of Fletcher J. Emley, who, while playing ball with a group of this city, and Francis N. Thompson, of Brooklyn, was committed to jail in default of \$5,000 bail on a charge of conspiracy to defraud Daniel R. Van Riper out of \$5,000.

Henry C. Bunker's Will Filled.
Newark, N. J., May 28.—William Leonard, of New London, was granted letters of administration on the estate of Henry C. Bunker, late editor of the Newark Evening News, by Judge Dixon, last night. The executor was Alice Bunker, the widow, and her three young children. The personal estate is placed at \$3,000. The heirs are Mrs. Bunker and her three young children.

Hiccupping Girl Improving.
Elizabeth, N. J., May 28.—Nettie Troutman, the girl who suffered from hiccupping for weeks, is improving under the electric treatment prescribed.

To West Point on Decoration Day.
A pleasant way to enjoy Decoration Day is to take a trip to Newburg, West Point or Poughkeepsie by the Hudson River Day Line steamer New York, leaving at 10:30 a. m. and returning at 8:30 p. m. At West Point a baseball match will take place between the New York and West Point cadets. There will also be a dress parade of the cadets.

TIRED OF LAW'S DELAY.

Hiram Cary, One of the Heirs to a Valuable Estate, Commits Suicide by Shooting.

Port Richmond, S. I., May 28.—Hiram S. Cary, a life-long resident of Staten Island, committed suicide at his home in Graniteville last night. He spent the evening quietly with his wife, and just before retiring went out into the yard. A few minutes later the report of a gun was heard.

Mrs. Cary and some neighbors went to the barn and found Cary upon the floor with a double-barreled shotgun by his head. He was dead, and the charge had carried away a large portion of the skull. Coroner Silvio took charge of the remains, and the body was taken to the morgue. There were five heirs and there has been a bitter fight over the property, with the result that the estate is still in litigation. The trouble is said to have affected Mr. Cary.

WANTS HER PROPERTY BACK.

Mrs. Knack Thought She Was Signing a Will, but She Wasn't.

The suit brought by Mrs. Maria D. Knack against Mrs. Annie Usher, wife of ex-Assemblyman James Usher, of West Hoboken, to recover property, she claims was obtained from her by fraud, was yesterday continued before Vice-Chancellor Stevens, in Jersey City. Mrs. Usher is an adopted daughter of Mrs. Knack, and the property in question is a piece of land in West Hoboken. Mrs. Knack declares she thought a will when she signed them.

Frederick Brumback, the lawyer who witnessed the signing of the deeds, stated that Mrs. Knack appeared to fully understand what she was doing when she signed the signature to the deeds. Dr. Samuel Hofer, the Knacks' family physician, testified to Mrs. Knack's sanity. The most important witness for the defense was Gustave Stahl, formerly a Commissioner of Deeds. He took the acknowledgment of the deeds transferring the property to Mrs. Usher. He said that he explained to Mrs. Knack that she was signing a deed, and that she was fully aware of what she was doing, and that she gave Mrs. Usher the property in accordance with her last husband's wishes.

GOVERNOR SIGNS THE BILL.

Provides for the Reorganization of the State Island Police Force.

Stapleton, S. I., May 28.—The report that Governor Morton had signed the bill placing the reorganization of the Board of Police Commissioners in the hands of the Platt Republicans on the island reached here early this afternoon, and created a sensation, as the opponents of the bill had been offering odds for two days that it would not be signed.

Major C. T. Barrett, the president of the present board of police, but he has been disapproved of by the legislature as well as Democrats by his management of the force. He has outstripped Roosevelt in his disciplining of the force, and has established a mounted squad in the farming districts, in the interior of the island, composed of the best of the force, leaving the populated portions of the island almost without police protection.

MRS. MORAN WAS THE JUMPER.

She Leaped from the Train to Avoid Being Taken to New York.

New Brunswick, N. J., May 28.—The woman who disappeared from a train on the Pennsylvania Railroad last Sunday night has been identified as Mrs. James Moran, of No. 203 Sudman street, this city.

She jumped from the train because she did not want to go any further, and not because she wanted to kill herself, as was supposed. When the detectives finally acknowledged that she was the woman in black.

Mrs. Moran had gone to the depot to meet her husband, James Moran, of No. 242 East One Hundred and Eleventh street, out to New York. She lost sight of Mrs. Moran, and walked through the streets. She gained considerable momentum before she reached the door and she jumped lightly.

COACH DRIVER BADLY HURT.

Jammed Between and Telegraph Pole by a Runaway Team.

Paterson, N. J., May 28.—Walter Lendin, a driver in the employ of Undertaker John Smith, was in a runaway accident at the Erie depot last night and was badly hurt. A wedding party was driven by him to the station, and he had just opened the door and let the occupants out of the carriage. His horse became frightened at the approach of a team attached to Daniel Maloney's street sprinkling wagon. Maloney tried to stop the team, but the horses killed him and dashed on. The wagon, loaded with water, was toppled over into the brook. The horses were excited with the noise, and the team was driven over into the brook.

A PAINTER KILLS HIMSELF.

Louis Stork, a Jersey City Man Out of Work, Takes Poison.

Early yesterday morning John Woolley, a driver, found the dead body of Louis Stork, of No. 151 South street, Jersey City, lying in Columbia avenue near Thorne street.

Stork had evidently committed suicide, as there were no marks of violence on his body. In one of the pockets was a note stating that he was tired of life and intended to commit suicide. He had been suffering from a long illness, and he had been in the hospital for several weeks. He was a painter, but had been out of work since the war. He was a brother of Bernard Stork, who was arrested last Sunday on the charge of violating the Excise law by selling beer.

Awoke to Find Her Husband Dead.

When Mrs. William Blake, of No. 69 York street, Jersey City, awoke yesterday morning she was horrified to find her husband lying dead by her side. Dr. C. R. Hill, who was summoned, said that death had been caused by heart disease. Mrs. Blake complained of feeling ill Wednesday night, and his wife noticed that he had been in bed. She then noticed that he had been in bed. She then noticed that he had been in bed. She then noticed that he had been in bed.

Police Think Sperling Is Dead.

Although the police of Hoboken are investigating the report that murderer Christopher Sperling was in Hoboken on Thursday night, they do not think that he is still in the city. The body of Herman Woerner, the companion who says he saw him, Sperling escaped from the city. He was found in the Hudson River. The police believe the body was that of Sperling.

Sunday Excursion to the Hudson.

The most satisfactory Sunday excursion out of New York City is via the palatial steamer "The Hudson," which leaves at 10:30 a. m. for Poughkeepsie and returns at 8:30 p. m. A select orchestra will furnish music on board. The trip will be charged for the round trip. A select orchestra will furnish music on board. The trip will be charged for the round trip. A select orchestra will furnish music on board. The trip will be charged for the round trip.

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Tries to Kill His Family and Baricades Himself Against Imaginary Foes.

Believes Some One Is After Him, and Has a Wooden Cannon Ready for Enemies.

TAKES REFUGE IN THE ATTIC.

Is Captured at Last and Taken to an Asylum—Insanity Caused by a Sunstroke Three Years Ago.

Belleville, N. J., May 28.—Michael Keenan, a shoemaker, became violently insane yesterday, and his family was in fear of being murdered.

The insane man drove his wife and children out of the house with a shoe knife after having first pursued them around the house. The family found shelter at the home of a neighbor, and Justice La Paucherie was summoned. He, with others, captured Keenan, and took him to the insane asylum.

Keenan was possessed of the hallucination that some one was pursuing him, and he had barricaded the door with furniture, which he broke up for the purpose. In front of the main entrance Keenan had placed upon two chairs a railroad track which he called his cannon, one end of which was sharpened to a point. Then he took refuge in the attic to escape from his imaginary foes, and when discovered had his head through a hole in the flooring, which he had made with an axe.

BAD DAY FOR CUNNINGHAM.

Witnesses Say His Services to Mrs. Burke Were Mythical.

New Brunswick, N. J., May 28.—The second day of the trial of J. Dixon Cunningham, the lawyer, for embezzling \$1,800 belonging to Mrs. Ellen Burke, on the pretence that he was conducting a suit for her in the Supreme Court, to recover a share of the estate of Ezekiel Patterson, brought out the fact that Mrs. Burke has been living largely on the charity of neighbors, since her last cent was given over to the lawyer for the expenses of the suit he claimed to have brought.

Frank J. Tamm, clerk of the Supreme Court, and John G. Pipitone, clerk of the Court of Errors, testified that Cunningham had brought no suit for Mrs. Burke. Catherine Dehob, a sister of Mrs. Burke, said that she had never seen Cunningham since she had received the money from the estate, and she and Mrs. Burke went to his office in a carriage, prepared to receive him. The testimony of Mrs. Burke, who corroborated the testimony of Mrs. Burke, who said Cunningham told her that he had been in the city of New Brunswick to deliver the money to Cunningham.

GRAY STILL IN THE LEAD.

Errors Discovered Cuts Down His Majority in the Newark Contest.

Newark, N. J., May 28.—There was another discovery this afternoon between the recount between George A. Gray and Peter Ulrich for Board of Works Commissioner, which is being conducted at the City Hall. The recount was held at 11 o'clock, and Gray asked for a recount. Developments in the way of marked ballots had wiped out Ulrich's majority, and it looked as though Gray would win. The recount was held at 11 o'clock, and Gray asked for a recount. Developments in the way of marked ballots had wiped out Ulrich's majority, and it looked as though Gray would win.

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BABY TAKES A TRAIN RIDE.

Brakeman Saves Him, and He Is Returned to His Parents After an Adventure.

Bloomfield, N. J., May 28.—Henry Bloch, the two-year old child of Leopold Bloch, a butcher of this place, caused his parents and a score of people no end of uneasiness at 10 o'clock today, when it was learned that he had slipped off to the depot and boarded the 9:20 train from New York to Montreal. No one noticed the child, and it was not until the train arrived. He was intent upon a ride, however, and climbing up on the rear platform of the rear car, he seated himself. It was only when the train started that those at the depot saw the child, and it was then that the search began. People held their breath, expecting every moment to see the little mite endeavor to get off, but he dashed to the rear platform and clung to the car.

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The agent asked Mrs. Harkins for a glass of water, and while she went to the kitchen he slipped into a pocketbook containing \$7 and ran. Mrs. Harkins ran screaming into the street after him.

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Defence Will Be That the Fire Was Caused by an Accident.

The trial of Alfred E. Lucks, on a charge of arson, was begun in the County Court, Brooklyn, yesterday morning. Lucks, who is a prominent Sheepsheadville politician, lived with his wife, Mary E. Lucks, at No. 5070 Atlantic avenue. He is accused of having on March 13 attempted to set fire to the floor by throwing a lighted lamp on the floor.

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